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It is hereby requested that the shortened statutory period for responding to the Examiner's Action dated October 6, 2004 be extended three months from January 6, 2005 to April 6, 2005.

Please charge our Deposit Account No. <u>50-1177</u> in the amount of \$<u>1.020.00</u> for the three month extension fee. Order No. <u>05-0129</u>.

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Responsive Action has been taken by filing an AMENDMENT simultaneously herewith.

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